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*Evidences of Battle to Death Shown by Torn
 Clothing and Wounds About Head.
 Was Figure In Noted Case.*

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 30.—The body of Robin J. Cooper, prominent lawyer of Nashville, who in 1908 killed former Senator Edward W. Carmack, was found this morning about 10:30 o'clock in Richland creek in Belle Meade park, about 100 yards below a bridge on which his deserted, blood-spattered car had been found. Mr. Cooper's body showed wounds at other marks of violence.

A preliminary examination when the body was taken from the water indicated that Mr. Cooper had been shot in the head. There was also a bruise on the forehead. As the body was taken from the water the left ear bled profusely. His coat was almost torn from the body, and the trousers were torn and bore other evidence that the body had been dragged over the rocks.

This afternoon the city and county officers working upon the murder case discovered no clue to the perpetrator of the deed. They are working upon the theory that Mr. Cooper was a victim of robbers, who attacked him with a heavy stone, a blow from which crushed his skull. A coroner's inquest this afternoon found that Mr. Cooper came to his death by the hands of parties unknown, by foul means.

The theory of the police is that Mr. Cooper was murdered and robbed. His body thrown into Richland creek. According to W. C. Farmer, well known turfman and a neighbor of Mr. Cooper in Belle Meade park, Mr. Cooper several days ago drew \$10,000 from local bank and it is supposed that the murderers, becoming aware of this fact, enticed him from home under the impression that he would have a considerable sum on his person.

A more careful examination of the body was made this afternoon and brought in an undertaking establishment.

It seems probable that steps will be taken within a few days to test the rights of the people in the question of telephone rates.

Four members of the city commission Commissioner Leo Goodman being absent, having attempted to bind every subscriber to the service of the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.

The coroner's jury will investigate the case at once. Gov. A. H. Roberts

The last seen of Mr. Cooper was Thursday night, when an auto stopped at his home in Belle Mead park, a fashionable suburb west of Nashville. The occupant of the auto wanted gasoline, and to assist him

Memphis company. That contract was made by a resolution of the board, without any publication without any reference to the rights of the people. The final draft of the resolution was not prepared, as a matter of fact, until after the meeting, and two hours after the regular meeting time of the city commission, and it was passed at 4 o'clock, after the commission had adjourned.

The resolution as fully approved by lawyers representing the Cumberland interests, to be typewritten.

Effort was possibly made to forestall any attempt to have the matter referred to the voters of the city by fixing the rates under a new contract by resolution, instead of by ordinance.

and Mr. Cooper's empty pocket— was found on the floor of the car.

Robert Cooper was one of the best known lawyers in Nashville. He is a son of Duncan B. Cooper, formerly a power in state politics.

Slayer of Carmack.

high, creating a million job franchises for the nation's 100 million families. The bill would allow any family to own a franchise, and other small family companies to be exempted from the 30-day waiting period of such franchise. By petition of at least 50 voters in each county, a franchise would be submitted to a referendum vote.

The resolution passed last Tuesday, 19-18, and gave the Telephone and Telegraph company the right to charge just exactly the amount it had to pay for the franchise. It also left the nature of a franchise open, seems to permit a company to run a business in Memphis many years ago without necessarily enacting ordinance.

There was no litigation over the rights of the Telephone and Telegraph company.

Late that evening, while Carm was on his way to his home on Seve avenue, in front of the Polk apartment house, he was met by Duncan Robin Cooper. Carmack, the testimony showed, was in conversation with lady, when he was accosted by Duncan Cooper. Carmack was said to have

clusion that the people have no rights in the city, and that the city is the property of the mayor, and at least two of the commissioners were elected last August on a platform positively pledging them to do so.

"We favor a popular vote upon any changes affecting existing contracts between the city and the public service companies," the petition reads.

It remains to be seen what action the city council will take on the petition, signed by 500 voters, is presented to the city council. It is not known whether they have attempted to make changes in the contract between the city and the public service companies.

All three were indicted, Sharp and Cooper, on charges of conspiracy to defraud the city of \$100,000, and Robinson on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the city of \$50,000. The grand jury returned its verdict on the charges against the three on Monday.

The indictment against Robinson was returned on the charge that he had conspired with Sharp and Cooper to defraud the city of \$50,000, and that he had conspired with them to defraud the city of \$100,000. The indictment against Sharp and Cooper was returned on the charge that they had conspired to defraud the city of \$100,000, and that they had conspired to defraud the city of \$50,000.

Such a demand apparently will certainly be made.

Meat Should Be Cheaper To The

Ultimate Consumer

Mrs. Housewife, did you buy pork any cheaper during the past week than you have been accustomed to buy it for the past few months?

If you did not, there is profiteering somewhere along the line between you and the farmer who produces the pork. In the last 15 days the price of hogs has advanced from 10 to 15 cents, 5 cents on the pound, or about one quarter of its value. This drop, according to the Chicago Board of Trade, a financial and cultural agent, should mean a decided difference in the price of pork to the consumer.

Beef cattle have dropped about 2 cents a pound on the market in the past six months about 2 cents. But it is doubtful Mr. Landless can find a farmer who will sell his housewife who buys it for her family.

RED CROSS TO REST.

The office of the Home Service section, 148 Court avenue, will be closed

Jack Britton

Stricken; Bout Is Cancelled

CANTON, O., Aug. 30.—Owing to sudden illness of Jack Britton, welter-weight champion, his bout with Max York, the boxing card scheduled to hold here Monday was cancelled.

The champion was billed to box rounds with Jack Malone, of St. Paul.

FINGERS BADLY CRUSHED

HICKMAN, Ky., Aug. 30. (SP.)—Minnie Heathcock, employee of the Hickman Iron Works, was injured by her right hand seriously mangled and burned yesterday when her hand was caught between the heavy rollers of the ironing machine. The woman, who is married and has a child, is being taken to the hospital to be hardied near when the accident occurred and stopped the machine.